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DPH Provides Update on COVID-19 in Georgia

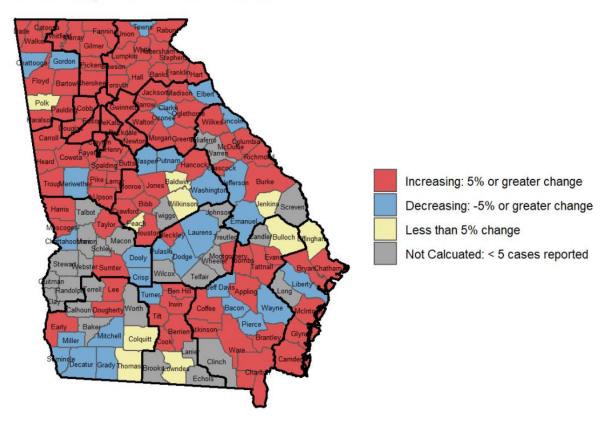
Atlanta – The Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) is providing the following information regarding the fight against COVID-19 in Georgia.

COVID-19 Cases

- From 11/16 to 11/23, the seven-day average of new cases reported increased 32.9%.
- The seven-day average of new cases reported is down 53% from our peak July 24.
- As of Nov. 23 there are 406,220 PCR confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 44,836 antigen positive cases of COVID-19.

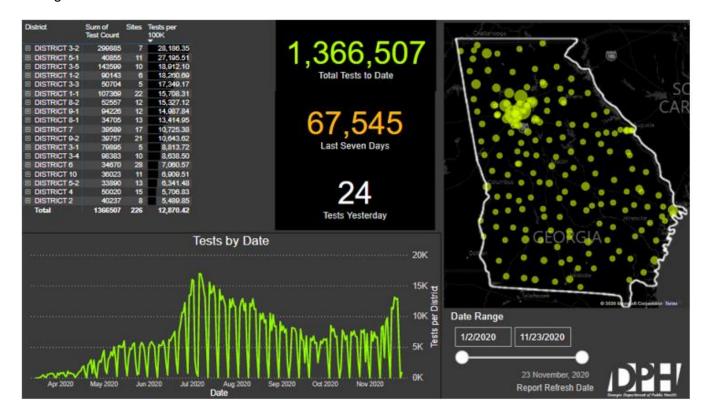
Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

Percent Change 11/07-11/13, 11/14-11/20



COVID-19 Testing

Georgia SPOCs



- As of Nov. 23, the state reported 4,139,509 (cumulative) COVID-19 PCR tests reported to DPH through Electronic Laboratory Reports (ELR).
- The number of specimens collected at DPH SPOCs is 1,366,507.
- From Nov.17-23, testing at SPOC locations increased 57% over the previous seven days.

Positivity Rate

The statewide percent positivity (7-day moving average) for PCR test **decreased 6%** from 8.3% on 11/16 to 7.8% on Nov. 23.

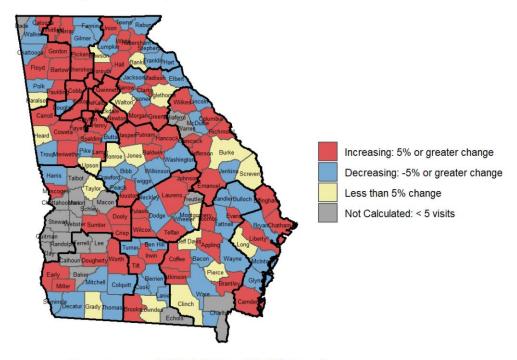
Hospitalizations

Daily hospitalizations for COVID-19 have **increased 12%** from 1,697 on Nov. 16 to 1,901 on Nov. 23. Hospitalizations have **decreased 40%** since a daily high of 3,200 on July 30.

Emergency Department Visits

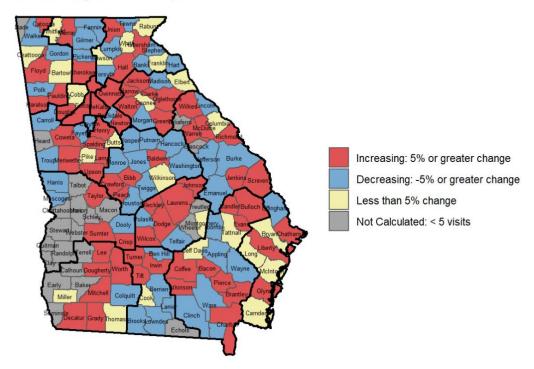
Emergency Department (ED) visits related to COVID-19 increased 1% statewide and ILI (influenza-like illness) visits have remained flat statewide over the two week period Nov. 7 - 20.

Emergency Department (ED) Visits with COVID-19 Syndrome Percent Change 11/07-11/13, 11/14-11/20



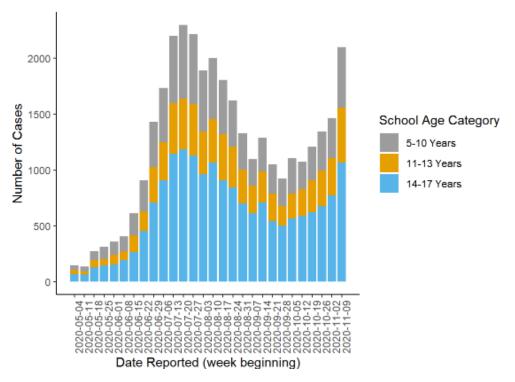
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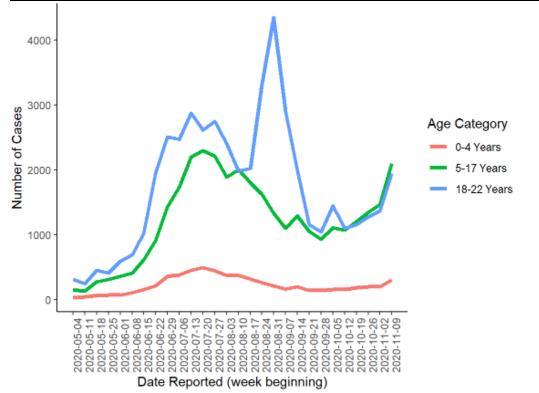
The Georgia Department of Public Health monitors influenza (flu) activity year-round throughout the state with the help of volunteer sentinel healthcare providers. Influenza activity is calucated based on the percentage of provider visits that are for "influenza-like illness" (fever >100° F AND cough and/or sore throat). Click on this link to see the Weekly Flu Surveillance Report.

All Lab Positive (PCR and Antigen) COVID-19 Cases Among K-12 School Aged Children*



^{*}Report reflects week of Nov. 9-15

All Lab Positive (PCR and Antigen) COVID-19 Cases by Age Category (Ages 0-22)*



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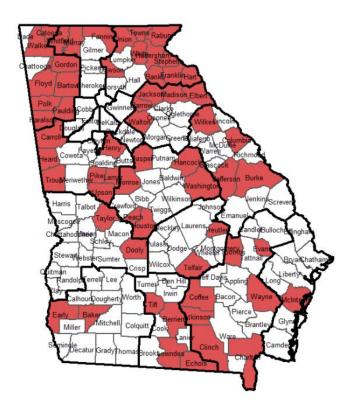
Outbreaks

Nov. 15-21: 98 (increase of 25 from previous week)

These outbreaks are occurring in settings where people are physically congregating and underscore the need for physical distancing and source control. The highest number of outbreaks occurred in schools, long-term care facilities, correctional facilities and workplaces.

Setting	11/15-11/21	11/8-11/14	Grand Total
LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY/NURSING HOME	17	20	886
SCHOOL	32	11	527
WORKPLACE	14	11	334
PRISON/JAIL	7	5	280
MANUFACTURING FACILITY	5	3	206
RESTAURANT OR DELI	3	1	117
CHURCH/TEMPLE	2	6	116
DAY CARE CENTER	3	2	94
OTHER CONGREGATE SETTING		2	94
HOSPITA L	2	4	83
OTHER		1	83
FOOD PRODUCTION FACILITY			56
OFFICE SETTING	5	2	56
OUTPATIENT (NON-DIALYSIS)	1		56
SHELTER	1		41
GROCERY STORE	2	1	37
OTHER INPATIENT FACILITY/DETOX FACILITY	1	2	36
FARM			20
CONSTRUCTION SITE			19
MENTAL HOSPITAL			18
BAR/ENTERTAINMENT VENUE			14
FUNERAL			13
HOTEL	1		10
CAMP			9
COMMUNITY			9
PRIVATE HOME		1	9
MILITARY FACILITY	1		8
WEDDING RECEPTION		1	8 7
DIALYSIS CENTER			
MENTAL HEALTH (NON-HOSPITAL)	1		6
RESORT			3
PICNIC/COOKOUT/POTLUCK			2 2
WORKPLACE CAFETERIA			2
BANQUET FACILITY			1
COMMERCIAL PRODUCT			1
CONVENTION CENTER			1
PET STORE			1
SWIMMING POOL			1
WATER PARK			1

Counties with High Transmission Indicators*



*By county of residence, report reflects Nov. 7-20

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For information about COVID-19, visit https://dph.georgia.gov/novelcoronavirus or https://dph.georgia.gov/novelcoronavirus or https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

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